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In Re Application Of: John H. Crowe, et al	Examiner: Shin-Lin Chen
Serial No: 10/052,162	Art Unit: 1632
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RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 18, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 116

(Amendment B)

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 18, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS begin on page 4 of this paper.